BEFORE THE MISSOURI REAL ESTATE COMMISSION STATE OF MISSOURI

MISSOURI REAL ESTATE COMMISSION)	
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vs.)	License No. 2003027662
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BRAD J. COOK,)	
)	
Licensee.)	•

FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND REVOCATION ORDER

Pursuant to § 339.100.5, RSMo, the Missouri Real Estate Commission hereby issues its ORDER REVOKING the real estate license of Brad J. Cook, License No. 2003027662. As set forth in § 339.100.6, RSMo, Brad J. Cook may submit a written request to the Administrative Hearing Commission seeking a hearing and review of the Commission's decision to revoke his license. Such written request must be filed with the Administrative Hearing Commission within ninety (90) days of mailing, by certified mail, this notice of revocation. The written request should be addressed to the Administrative Hearing Commission, P.O. Box 1557, Truman State Office Building, Room 640, Jefferson City, MO 65102-1557. If no written request for review is filed with the Administrative Hearing Commission within the ninety-day period, all rights to appeal the Commission's decision shall be considered waived. Should Mr. Cook file a written request for review of this Order, the terms and conditions of this Order shall remain in force and effect unless and until such time as the Administrative Hearing Commission issues an Order to the contrary.

In support of the foregoing, the Commission hereby states:

I.

¹ All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended, unless otherwise indicated.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Missouri Real Estate Commission ("Commission") is an agency of the State of Missouri created and existing pursuant to § 339.120, RSMo, for the purpose of executing and enforcing the provisions of §§ 339.010 to 339.205 and §§ 339.710 to 339.855, RSMo, and the regulations promulgated thereunder, relating to real estate salespersons and brokers.
- 2. Brad J. Cook ("Cook" or "Licensee") is a natural person residing at 11525 Big Bend, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122. Cook is licensed by this Commission as a real estate broker-associate, license number 2003027662, which was current at all times relevant to this proceeding.
- 3. On or about December 20, 2011 Brad J. Cook pled guilty to Commercial Sex Trafficking by Force, Fraud & Coercion in the United States. District Court, Western District of Missouri.
- 4. Pursuant to notice and § 339.100, RSMo, the Commission held a hearing on April 18, 2012, at approximately 10:15 a.m., at the Division of Professional Registration, 3605 Missouri Boulevard, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, for the purpose of determining whether revocation of Cook's license was required under § 339.100, RSMo. The Commission was represented by Assistant Attorney General Joseph Goff Jr. Licensee received proper notice and opportunity to appear and did not appear individually or through legal counsel. All of the members of the Commission were present, except Jan Hunt and Rosemary Vitale, and participated in the hearing and subsequent deliberations. After being present and considering all of the evidence presented during the hearing, the Commission issues this Findings of Facts, Conclusions of Law and Revocation Order.

11.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

5. Section 339.100.5, RSMo, provides, in relevant part:

Notwithstanding other provisions of this section, a broker or salesperson's license shall be revoked, or in the case of an applicant, shall not be issued, if the licensee or applicant has pleaded guilty to, entered a plea of nolo contendere to, or been found guilty of any of the following offenses or offenses of a similar nature established under the laws of this, any other state, the United States, or any other country, notwithstanding whether sentence is imposed:

- (1) Any dangerous felony as defined under section 556.061 or murder in the first degree;
- (2) Any of the following sexual offenses: rape, statutory rape in the first degree, statutory rape in the second degree, sexual assault, forcible sodomy, statutory sodomy in the first degree, child molestation in the first degree, child molestation in the second degree, deviate sexual assault, sexual misconduct involving a child, sexual misconduct in the first degree, sexual abuse, enticement of a child, or attempting to entice a child;

6. As a result of Brad J. Cook pleading guilty to Commercial Sex Trafficking by Force, Fraud & Coercion in the United States District Court, Western District of Missouri, grounds exist for revoking Cook's real estate license, as required by § 339.100.5, RSMo.

III.

ORDER

Therefore, pursuant to § 339.100.5, RSMo, it is the ORDER of this Commission that the real estate broker-associate license of Brad J. Cook, license number 2003027662, is hereby revoked. All evidence of licensure shall be returned to the Commission within 30 days of this Order along with a Closing of a Real Estate Brokerage/Sole Proprietorship form.

So Ordered effective this 27th day of April, 2012.

Janet Carder Executive Director

Missouri Real Estate Commission